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House Bills

HB 2243 by Representatives Carrell, Conway, Talcott, Kirby, Bush, Cairnes, Casada, Campbell, Jackley and Roach

Creating the crime of escape by a sexually violent predator.

Declares that a person is guilty of escape by a sexually violent predator if, having been committed to the department of social and health services as a sexually violent predator under chapter 71.09 RCW, he or she:

- (1) Escapes from custody;
- (2) Escapes from a commitment facility;
- (3) Escapes from a less restrictive alternative facility; or
- (4) While on conditional release and residing in a

location other than at a commitment center or less restrictive alternative facility, leaves or remains absent from the state of Washington without prior court authorization.

Declares that escape by a sexually violent predator is a class B felony.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 12 First reading, referred to Rules.

HB 2244 by Representative H. Sommers

Pertaining to the higher education retirement plan.

Declares an intent to provide the faculty and other employees of the state universities, regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the community and technical colleges, membership in the teachers insurance annuity association of America and college retirement equities fund, a defined contribution retirement plan. A defined contribution plan is characterized by guaranteed retirement contributions by the employer and fixed contributions by the employee.

Provides that, because the retirement benefit in a defined contribution plan is based on the accumulations in and the performance of the investment funds to which the employers and employees contribute, it is the intent of the legislature neither to guarantee nor limit this benefit.

Repeals RCW 28B.10.423.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 12 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2245 by Representatives Anderson, Pflug, Crouse, Cairnes, Bush, DeBolt, B. Chandler, Mielke, D. Schmidt, Delvin, Casada, Esser, McMorris and Pennington

Providing tax incentives to promote the production and distribution of electricity from alternative sources of energy.

Declares an intent to encourage and expand the commercial generation of electrical power from alternative energy sources to meet the long-term energy needs of the state. It is the further intent that incentives provided by the state encourage free-market principles that foster

technological innovation and entrepreneurial investment in alternative energy sources. This intent is best served by encouraging commercially viable, independent generators of alternative energy-based electrical power to provide such power to established utility distribution networks, including investor-owned utilities and public utility districts.

Declares it is also the intent that, to promote the use of alternative energy sources for the purpose of electrical generation, tax incentives should be provided in RCW 82.08.02567 and 82.12.02567 for the acquisition of certain machinery and equipment to all qualifying sectors of the state economy, including industrial, commercial, and residential.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 12 Held on first reading.

HB 2246 by Representatives Romero, Hunt, Dickerson, DeBolt and Alexander

Providing a sales and use tax exemption for the repair of historic buildings.

Provides that a person who has paid tax under chapter 82.08 RCW with respect to repairing or replacing an historic building that was damaged by the February 28, 2001, earthquake is eligible for an exemption in the form of a remittance, as provided in this act.

Provides that a person claiming an exemption must pay the tax and may then apply to the department for remittance of retail sales tax paid under this chapter, chapter 82.14 RCW, and any other statute of this state. For the purposes of this provision, an historic building is a building that is on the national register of historic places, the Washington heritage register, and any local register of historic places established by a city, town, or county.

Provides that the provisions of chapter 82.12 RCW do not apply in respect to the use of tangible personal property that became an ingredient or component of an historic building during the repair of damage caused by the February 28, 2001, earthquake.

Expires July 1, 2003.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 12 First reading, referred to Finance.

Senate Bills

SB 6179 by Senators Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

Funding a community swim facility.

Appropriates the sum of ten million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2003, from the state building construction account to the University of Washington as matching funds for the construction of a collegiate and community swim facility. The amount provided in this act shall be matched by an

equal amount from combined donations of institutional, student, and private donations.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Apr 12 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

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